



# Gillespie Field Development Council



## **A Joint Powers Agreement Between the City of El Cajon and County of San Diego**

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Jerry Hollingsworth  
*Chairman*

John Gibson  
*Vice Chairman*

Robert Parker  
*Councilman*

Rick Fordem  
*Councilman*

Clifford Leary  
*Councilman*

## **DRAFT – SUBJECT TO GFDC APPROVAL March 20, 2007**

### **MINUTES OF January 21, 2006**

| <b><u>MEMBERS PRESENT</u></b> | <b><u>STAFF PRESENT</u></b> |
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| Jerry Hollingsworth           | Peter Drinkwater            |
| Robert Parker                 | Roger Griffiths             |
| Rick Fordem                   | Lee Ann Lardy               |
| Cliff Leary                   | Wendy Orth                  |
|                               | Reggie Angquico             |

\*For others present, sign-in sheet is available in the Administration Building office.

#### **1. ROLL CALL**

Chairman Hollingsworth called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Mr. Gibson was absent.

#### **2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Mr. Leary made a motion that the minutes of November 20, 2006 be approved. Mr. Fordem seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

#### **3. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT**

Mr. Hollingsworth announced that Mr. John Gibson submitted his resignation as Councilman of the Gillespie Field Development Council. Mr. Fordem announced the passing away of Mrs. Dennis.

4. ELECTION OF NEW OFFICERS

Mr. Fordem nominated Mr. Parker for the position of Chairman; Mr. Leary seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

Mr. Leary nominated Mr. Fordem for the position of Vice-Chairman; Mr. Hollingsworth seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

5. AIRPORTS DIRECTOR UPDATE

Mr. Drinkwater stated that although the County does not have a direct role in preventing aircraft mid-air incidents, as it is a Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) responsibility, the Board of Supervisors are interested in having the FAA implement recommendations by the National Transportation Safety Board (NTSB) to upgrade equipment, training and procedures to improve public safety by prevent these accidents over the County of San Diego.

6. AIRPORT MANAGER UPDATE

Mr. Griffiths announced that the paving on Taxiway Delta is complete and the next project will be the rehabilitation of Taxiway Charlie. He also said that red safety lights were placed on top of the perimeter fence along Magnolia Avenue to increase its visibility. County staff continues to work with FAA engineers to try and get the Precision Approach Path Indicators (PAPI) relocation moving ahead.

7. REAL PROPERTY UPDATE – GOLDEN STATE UPDATE

Ms. Lardy stated the acreage had changed on the Golden State Lease which was approved last October 2006. The actual size increased slightly after confirming the location of the eastern boundary.

8. ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW UPDATE FOR THE CAJON AIR CENTER

Ms. Orth gave a PowerPoint presentation showing the different alternatives in developing the Cajon Air Center. Please visit our web page: <http://www.sdcounty.ca.gov/dpw/airports/powerpoints/GillespieDevelopmentCouncil.pdf> for the actual presentation. Ms. Orth explained that after approval of the project, Alternative 1 plans to develop the entire 70 acre parcel. Alternative 2 plans to develop the 70 acres into 2 phases, the second phase would coincide with the roadway improvements to Bradley Avenue. Alternative 3 is the same as Alternative 2, but takes into account the presence of the San Diego Ambrosia.

Next steps will be:

- a. Review of technical and environmental impact reports by County Airport Staff, County Counsel, and Federal Administration Aviation (FAA) Staff. The estimated completion date is early summer 2007.
- b. Forty-five day public review period estimated to take place in the summer of 2007.
- c. Review of public comments and preparation of the final environmental impact reports, around summer or fall of 2007.
- d. County Board hearing for certification of project estimated to be during fall or winter 2007.
- e. FAA approval of project and preparation of Findings of No Significant Impact (FONSI) to occur during fall or winter 2007.

Ms. Karen Gomes inquired if DNA testing was done on the Ambrosia plants on the vacant 70 acre parcel. She stated that the Ambrosia cannot be moved.

Ms. Orth replied that a DNA test was not done. The FAA will consult with the US Fish and Wildlife service and it will determine the appropriate action in this case.

Ms. Betty Chafetz commented that 45 days is insufficient for public review and wanted to know if the review could be extended. She also wanted to know how environmental studies can be done, when it is unknown what type of businesses will be at the 70 acre parcel.

Ms. Orth replied that 45 days is the standard process the County follows and is based on the Public Resource Code. Ms. Orth also explained that the Gillespie Field Narrative Report contains a forecast on the amount of aviation activities at Gillespie Field, and that this data is used for environmental assessment.

9. OPPORTUNITIES FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE GILLESPIE FIELD DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL ON MATTERS NOT PREVIOUSLY DISCUSSED

There was no public comment.

10. OLD BUSINESS

There was no old business.

11. NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business.

Mr. Hollingsworth adjourned the meeting at 7:10 p.m. The next meeting of the Gillespie Field Development Council will be at 6 p.m., Tuesday, March 20, 2007 in City Council Chambers, 200 E. Main Street, El Cajon.

By \_\_\_\_\_  
Reggie Angquico, Office Support Specialist